IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

STATE OF NEW MEXICO,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 1:17-CV-00995-JB-KK

THE PUEBLO OF ISLETA, a federally recognized Indian tribe, THE PUEBLO OF SANDIA, a federally recognized Indian tribe, THE PUEBLO OF TESUQUE, a federally recognized Indian tribe, THE SANTA CLARA PUEBLO, a federally recognized Indian tribe, THE SAN FELIPE PUEBLO, a federally recognized Indian tribe, and THE SANTA ANA PUEBLO, a federally recognized Indian tribe.

Defendants.

NOTICE OF DISMISSAL

Plaintiff the State of New Mexico, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(1)(A)(i), hereby voluntarily dismisses the above-captioned cause of action. In this matter, Defendants have neither filed an answer nor a motion for summary judgment, having filed only a motion to dismiss. Accordingly, Plaintiff has the "absolute right to dismiss without prejudice" under Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(1). *Janssen v. Harris*, 321 F.3d 998, 1000 (10th Cir. 2003); *see De Leon v. Marcos*, 659 F.3d 1276 (10th Cir. 2011) ("Here, Denman was the only defendant to appear, and it filed a motion to dismiss, not an answer or a motion for summary judgment. Thus, De Leon could have dismissed the case unilaterally under Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i)."). Plaintiff therefore voluntarily dismisses the above-captioned cause of action in light of Defendants' decision not to waive their sovereign immunity.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on November 14, 2017, I filed the foregoing pleading electronically through the CM/ECF system, which caused all parties or counsel to be served by electronic means, as more fully reflected on the Notice of Electronic Filing.

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